

**HBP - \_22\_**

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State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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December 15, 2016

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87199-7500

**Re: Request for Renewal of Annual Temporary Permission To Discharge  
Hydrostatic Test Water  
New Mexico Gas Company  
Permit: HBP-022**

Dear Ms. Fiedler:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the New Mexico Gas Company (NMGC) renewal request, dated December 13, 2016, for an annual temporary permission to discharge small quantities of hydrostatic test wastewater generated from the testing of new natural gas pipelines throughout the State of New Mexico which expires February 17, 2017. Also, OCD acknowledges receipt of the filing fee (\$100.00) and temporary permission fee (\$150.00) with the December 13, 2016 submittal.

Based on the information provided in the request, the **annual temporary permission is hereby granted** to NMGC for the discharge of the hydrostatic test wastewater generated from all new pipeline hydrostatic tests an operator may perform during an approved one-year period with the following understandings and conditions are applicable:

1. the volume does not exceed 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test;
2. water from a public/municipal water supply or other OCD approved sources (upon specific request to OCD) is used for each test;
3. email or written notification must be provided to the OCD 72 hours prior to each hydrostatic discharge event;
4. the discharge does not enter any lake, perennial stream, river or their respective tributaries that may be seasonal;
5. no discharge shall occur to a surface water body without obtaining a National Pollution Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) permit from the US EPA, NMED, and OCD prior to the discharge;

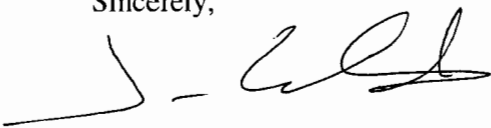
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8. NMGC shall report all unauthorized discharges, spills, leaks and releases of hydrostatic test water and conduct corrective action pursuant to OCD Rule 29 (19.15.29 NMAC);
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10. an annual report, summarizing each test of new pipeline with less than 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test event, will be submitted to OCD within 45 days after the temporary permission expiration date and shall contain the following information:
  - a. the location of hydrostatic test (Section/Township/Range or GPS coordinates);
  - b. the date of each discharge;
  - c. the volume of each discharge; and
  - d. the source and quality of test water (laboratory analysis, if necessary).

Annual temporary permissions shall expire one (1) year after issuance. **This temporary permission will expire February 17, 2018.** Renewal requests for annual temporary permission to discharge shall be submitted forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration date. An annual temporary permission may be revoked or suspended for violation of any applicable provisions and/or conditions of this approval.

Please be advised that approval of this request does not relieve NMGC of liability should operations result in pollution of surface water, ground water or the environment. Nor does approval relieve NMGC of its responsibility to comply with any other applicable governmental authority's rules and regulations.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Brad Jones on my staff at (505) 476-3487 or [brad.a.jones@state.nm.us](mailto:brad.a.jones@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,



Jim Griswold  
Environmental Bureau Chief

JG/baj

cc All OCD District Offices

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
OF CHECK/CASH**

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Check No. 000008121 dated 12/08/2016  
or cash received on 12/14/2016 in the amount of \$ 250.<sup>00</sup>  
from NM Gas Company  
for HBP-022

Submitted by: Brad Jones Date: 12/14/2016

Submitted to ASD by: Lorraine DeVane Date: 12/14/2016

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee ☒ 100.<sup>00</sup> New Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other ☒ 150.<sup>00</sup> Temp permission fee

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 17

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment \_\_\_\_\_ or Annual Increment \_\_\_\_\_

# NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT - ALBUQUERQUE FIELD OFFICE DAILY CHECK RECEIPT LOG

| DATE RECEIVED | WALK-IN | MAIL | NAME ON CHECK  | DATE OF CHECK | CHECK/MONEY ORDER# | PROGRAM ACCOUNT CODE | AMOUNT OF CHECK    | DATE DEPOSITED | DEPOSITED BY |
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| 12/14/2016    |         | ✓    | NM Gas Company | 12/08/2016    | 000008121          |                      | 250. <sup>00</sup> |                |              |
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| OTHER                       | 34100 | 232900 |            | 2329029000 |        |

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| Check Date    | 12/08/2016 |
| Check Number  | 000008121  |
| Check Amount  | **250.00** |
| Vendor Number | 10041927   |
| Our Account   |            |

WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT FUND  
1220 S ST FRANCIS DR  
SANTA FE, NM 87505

| Invoice Date | Invoice Number | Document No | Description | Gross Amount | Discount | Net Amount |
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| 12/05/2016   | PERMIT FEE     | 1900004428  |             | 250.00       | 0.00     | 250.00     |

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Check Amount

**\*\*250.00\*\***

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GAS COMPANY®  
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CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 13, 2016

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Subject: New Mexico Gas Company Request for Renewal of Annual Temporary  
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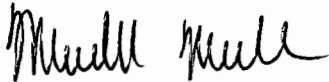
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NMGC



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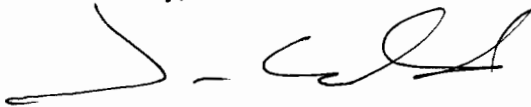
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Sincerely,



Jim Griswold  
Environmental Bureau Chief

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cc All OCD District Offices



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December 17, 2015

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
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Senior Environmental Scientist  
NMGC

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
OF CHECK/CASH**

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Check No. 066442 dated 12/16/15  
or cash received on 12/21/15 in the amount of \$ 250.00  
from NM GAS CO.  
for HBP-022

Submitted by: BRAD JONES Date: 12/22/15

Submitted to ASD by: LUPE SHERMAN Date: 12/22/15

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee ☒ \$100.00 New Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other TEMP PERMISSION FEE \$150.00

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 16

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment \_\_\_\_\_ or Annual Increment \_\_\_\_\_



New Mexico  
GAS COMPANY

REORDER 805 • U.S. PATENT NO. 5538290, 5575508, 5641183, 5785353, 5984364, 6030000

If you have any questions about this payment please contact:

NEW MEXICO GAS COMPANY

P O Box 97500 MS AC3

Accounts Payable

Albuquerque, NM 87199-7500

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| INVOICE #                               | DATE        | AMOUNT     | DISC. | NET AMT | VOUCHER ID | REMARKS |
| 120315HBP22                             | Dec/03/2015 | 250.00     | 0.00  | 250.00  | 00245442   |         |
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| \$250.00              | \$0.00             | \$250.00             |

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| 12/22/15      |         | ✓    | NM GAS CO.    | 12/10/15      | 066442             |                      | \$250.00        |                |              |
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## REVENUE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

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| OTHER                       | 34100 | 232900 |            | 2329029000 |        |

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I hereby acknowledge receipt of Check No. 059155 dated 1/7/15  
or cash received on 1/13/15 in the amount of \$ 250.00  
from NM GAS COMPANY  
for HBP-22

Submitted by: BRAD JONES Date: 1/14/15

Submitted to ASD by: LUPE SHERMAN Date: 1/14/15

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# PROGRAM

DATE WALK-RECEIVED IN MAILNAME ON CHECK

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AMOUNT OF CHECK

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| DATE    | DESCRIPTION      | AMOUNT   |
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| 1/13/15 | X NM GAS COMPANY | \$250.00 |
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| HBP22                                      | Dec/30/2014 | 250.00 | 0.00 | 250.00  | 00216569   |         |
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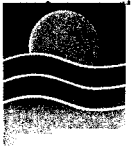
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Brad A. Jones  
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# New Mexico GAS COMPANY

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January 12, 2015

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Subject: Revised check for New Mexico Gas Company Request for Renewal of Annual  
Temporary Permission (HBP-22) to Discharge Hydrostatic Test Water

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Sincerely,

Marcelle Fiedler  
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NMGC



# New Mexico

## GAS COMPANY

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CERTIFIED MAIL  
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December 17, 2014

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
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Santa Fe, NM 87505

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If you have any questions about this payment please contact:  
NEW MEXICO GAS COMPANY  
P O Box 97500 MS AC3  
Accounts Payable  
Albuquerque, NM 87199-7500

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January 14, 2015

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87199-7500

**Re: Request for Renewal of Annual Temporary Permission To Discharge  
Hydrostatic Test Water  
New Mexico Gas Company  
Permit: HBP-022**

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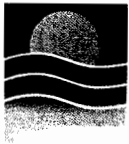
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# New Mexico GAS COMPANY

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January 12, 2015

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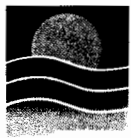
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December 17, 2014

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
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January 6, 2014

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87199-7500

**Re: Request for Renewal of Annual Temporary Permission To Discharge  
Hydrostatic Test Water  
New Mexico Gas Company  
Permit: HBP-022**

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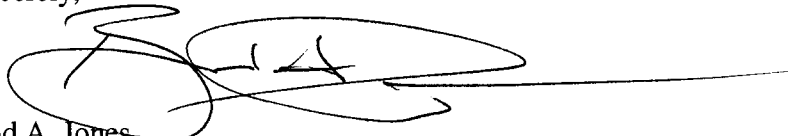
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Brad A. Jones  
Environmental Engineer

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cc: OCD District Offices

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
OF CHECK/CASH**

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Check No. 050417 dated 12/30/2013  
or cash received on 1/07/2014 in the amount of \$ 250.00  
from New Mexico Gas Company  
for HBP-022

Submitted by: Brad Jones Date: 1/07/2014

Submitted to ASD by: Rachel Herrera Date: 1/08/2014

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee X New Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other X Temporary Permission Fee

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 14

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

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December 30, 2013

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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Oil Conservation Division



January 3, 2012

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
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Environmental Engineer

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
OF CHECK/CASH**

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Check No. 41802 dated 12/15/12

or cash received on \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ 100<sup>00</sup>

from New Mexico GTS Co.

for HBP-22

Submitted by: Lawrence Romero Date: 12/27/12

Submitted to ASD by: [Signature] Date: 12/27/12

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee ✓ New Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY \_\_\_\_\_

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from New Mexico Gas Co.

for HBP-22

Submitted by: Lawrence Ralston Date: 12/19/12

Submitted to ASD by: [Signature] Date: 12/19/12

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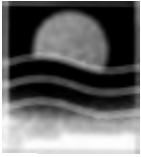
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# New Mexico

## GAS COMPANY

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December 19, 2012

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or cash received on \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ 150<sup>00</sup>

from New Mexico Gas Co

for HBP-22

Submitted by: LAWRENCE PONCRO Date: 1/4/12

Submitted to ASD by: [Signature] Date: 1/4/12

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee \_\_\_\_\_ New Facility \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other TRAP PERMISSEMENT

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2010

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment \_\_\_\_\_ or Annual Increment \_\_\_\_\_

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
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I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. 33012 dated 12/16/11

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from New Mexico Gas Co.

for HBP-22

Submitted by: LAURENCE ROBERTO Date: 1/4/12

Submitted to ASD by: Laurence Roberto Date: 1/4/12

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_


Filing Fee ☒ New Facility \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Oil Conservation Division



December 27, 2011

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87199-7500

**Re: Request for Renewal of Annual Temporary Permission To Discharge  
Hydrostatic Test Water  
New Mexico Gas Company  
Permit: HBP-022**

Dear Ms. Fiedler:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the New Mexico Gas Company (NMGC) renewal request, dated December 22, 2011, for an annual temporary permission to discharge small quantities of hydrostatic test wastewater generated from the testing of new natural gas pipelines throughout the State of New Mexico. Also, the OCD acknowledges receipt of the filing fee (\$100.00) and temporary permission fee (\$150.00) with the December 22, 2011 request.

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If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (505) 476-3487 or [brad.a.jones@state.nm.us](mailto:brad.a.jones@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,



Brad A. Jones  
Environmental Engineer

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# New Mexico GAS COMPANY

CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 22, 2011

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Subject: New Mexico Gas Company Request for Renewal of Annual Temporary  
Permission (HBP-22) to Discharge Hydrostatic Test Water

RECEIVED OCD  
2011 DEC 23 A 11:55

Dear Mr. Jones,

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An annual report for 2011 will be submitted by April 3, 2012. Enclosed is a check for \$250 to cover the filing and temporary permission fees. Please feel free to call me at (505) 697-3516 if you have any questions. I appreciate your timely review of this application.

Sincerely,



Marcelle Fiedler  
Senior Environmental Scientist  
NMGC

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
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I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. \_\_\_\_\_

dated 12/22/10

or cash received on \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ 100.00

from New Mexico Gas Co.

for HBP-22

Submitted by: Lawrence Romero Date: 1/6/11

Submitted to ASD by: Lawrence Romero Date: 1/6/11

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee ☒ New Facility \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2010

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for HBP-22

Submitted by: LAWRENCE ROSEN Date: 1/6/11

Submitted to ASD by: LAWRENCE ROSEN Date: 1/6/11

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee \_\_\_\_\_ New Facility \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

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REORDER 805 • U.S. PATENT NO. 5538290, 5575508, 5641183, 5785353, 5984384, 6030000

If you have any questions about this payment please contact:

NEW MEXICO GAS COMPANY

P O Box 97500 MS AC3

Accounts Payable

Albuquerque, NM 87199-7500

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# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Oil Conservation Division



January 4, 2011

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
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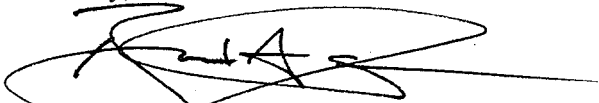
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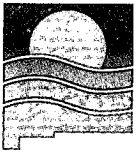
Sincerely,



Brad A. Jones  
Environmental Engineer

BAJ/baj

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# New Mexico

## GAS COMPANY

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2010 DEC 27 A 9:27

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December 22, 2010

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New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
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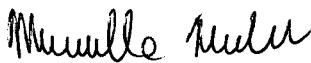
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Oil Conservation Division



December 14, 2009

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
P.O. Box 97500  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87199-7500

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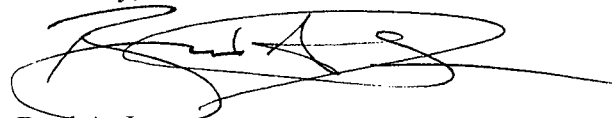
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Brad A. Jones  
Environmental Engineer

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from New Mexico Gas Co

for HBP-22

Submitted by: LAURENCE FORELLO Date: 12/15/09

Submitted to ASD by: LAURENCE FORELLO Date: 12/15/09

Received in ASD by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Fee \_\_\_\_\_ New Facility \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Modification \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2004

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New Mexico  
GAS COMPANY

REORDER 805 • U.S. PATENT NO. 5538290, 5575508, 5641183, 5785353, 5984364, 6030000

If you have any questions about this payment please contact:

NEW MEXICO GAS COMPANY

P O Box 97500 MS AC3

Accounts Payable

Albuquerque, NM 87199-7500

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*Return Ck to Marcelle Fiedler - MS / BC 22*

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# New Mexico GAS COMPANY

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 10, 2009

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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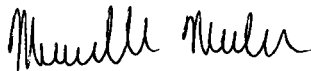
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Organization Code 521.07 Applicable FY 2004

To be deposited in the Water Quality Management Fund.

Full Payment \_\_\_\_\_ or Annual Increment \_\_\_\_\_

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT  
OF CHECK/CASH

I hereby acknowledge receipt of check No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated 1/5/09

or cash received on \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ 100<sup>00</sup>

from New Mexico Gas Co.

for HBP 22

Submitted by: Lawrence Romero Date: 2/17/09

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# New Mexico GAS COMPANY

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CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

January 15, 2009

Brad Jones  
New Mexico Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Drive  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Subject: New Mexico Gas Company Request for Annual Temporary Permission to  
Discharge of Hydrostatic Test Water

Dear Mr. Jones,

The Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM) is selling the gas operations to the New Mexico Gas Company (NMGC). PNM has had permit HBP-NM-007 at least since 1996 to cover discharges of hydrostatic test water of new pipe from the day-to-day operations of the gas operations. All the gas assets covered by PNM's permit will be transferred to NMGC. Since the permit cannot be transferred to NMGC, NMGC is requesting an Annual Temporary Permission to discharge hydrostatic test water from new natural gas pipelines. Discharges will occur within NMGC's right-of-way and will be done in a manner to control erosion and prevent sediment discharging from the site. Methods of controlling sediment include: filter bags, detention basins, utilizing a water truck to spray test waters for dust suppression on the right-of-way, working the test water into the trench spoils to aid with compaction, or placing water in the trench and allowing it to soak or evaporate.

The annual temporary permission authorizes NMGC to discharge hydrostatic test waters throughout the state of New Mexico under the following conditions:

1. The volume does not exceed 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test;
2. Only water from a public/municipal water supply or other OCD approved sources will be used for each test;
3. NMGC will provide oral or written notification to the OCD 72 hours prior to each hydrostatic discharge event;
4. Test water will not enter any lake, perennial stream, river or their respective tributaries that may be seasonal;
5. No discharge shall occur:
  - i. where ground water is less than 10 feet below ground surface;
  - ii. within 200 feet of a watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole or playa lake;

- iii. within an existing wellhead protection area;
  - iv. within 500 feet of a wetland; or
  - v. within 500 feet from the nearest permanent residence, school, hospital, institution or church;
- 6. The discharge will not cause any fresh water supplies to be degraded or to exceed standards as set forth in Subsections A, B, and C of the 20.6.2.3103 NMAC (the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations);
  - 7. Best management practices will be implemented to contain the discharge onsite, does not impact adjacent property, and to control erosion;
  - 8. The landowner(s) of each proposed discharge and/or collection/retention or alternative discharge location will be properly notified of the activities prior to each proposed hydrostatic test event; and
  - 9. NMGC will submit an annual report, summarizing all tests of new pipe with less than 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test event, to the OCD within 45 days after the temporary permission expiration date. The report shall contain the following information:
    - i. location of hydrostatic test (Section, Township and Range or GPS coordinates);
    - ii. date of each test;
    - iii. volume of each discharge; and
    - iv. source and quality of test water (laboratory analysis, if necessary).

Enclosed is a check for \$250 to cover the filing and temporary permission fees. Please feel free to call me at (505) 697-3516 if you have any questions. I appreciate your timely review of this application.

Sincerely,



Marcelle Fiedler  
Senior Environmental Scientist  
NMGC

cc: DCC



# New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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Oil Conservation Division



February 17, 2009

Ms. Marcelle Fiedler  
New Mexico Gas Company  
New Mexico Gas Company Business Center Office  
7120 Wyoming Blvd. NE Suite 20  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109

**Re: Annual Temporary Permission To Discharge Hydrostatic Test Water  
of HBP-022**

Dear Ms. Fiedler:

The Oil Conservation Division (OCD) has received the New Mexico Gas Company (NMGC) request, dated January 15, 2009, for an annual temporary permission to discharge small quantities of hydrostatic test wastewater generated from the testing of new natural gas pipelines throughout the State of New Mexico.

Based on the information provided in the request, annual temporary permission is hereby granted for the discharge at a new location. Hydrostatic test wastewater generated from all hydrostatic tests that NMGC may perform during an approved one-year period with the following conditions:

1. the volume does not exceed 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test;
2. water from a public/municipal water supply or other OCD approved sources is used for each test;
3. oral or written notification must be provided to the OCD 72 hours prior to each hydrostatic discharge event;
4. the discharge does not enter any lake, perennial stream, river or their respective tributaries that may be seasonal;
5. no discharge shall occur:
  - a. where ground water is less than 10 feet below ground surface.
  - b. within 200 feet of a watercourse, lakebed, sinkhole or playa lake;
  - c. within an existing wellhead protection area;
  - d. within, or within 500 feet of a wetland; or
  - e. within 500 feet from the nearest permanent residence, school,



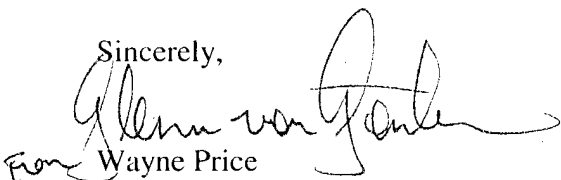
6. best management practices must be implemented to contain the discharge onsite, to ensure that the discharge does not impact adjacent property, and to control erosion;
7. the discharge does not cause any fresh water supplies to be degraded or to exceed standards as set forth in Subsections A, B, and C of the 20.6.2.3103 NMAC (the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations);
8. NMGC shall report all unauthorized discharges, spills, leaks and releases of hydrostatic test water and conduct corrective action pursuant to WQCC Regulation 20.6.2.1203 NMAC and OCD Rule 19.15.29 NMAC.
9. the landowner(s) of each proposed discharge and/or collection/retention or alternative discharge location must be properly notified of the activities prior to each proposed hydrostatic test event; and
10. an annual report, summarizing all tests of new pipeline with less than 25,000 gallons per hydrostatic test event, will be submitted to the OCD within 45 days after the temporary permission expiration date and shall contain the following information:
  - a. the location of hydrostatic test (Section/Township/Range or GPS coordinates);
  - b. the date of each test;
  - c. the volume of each discharge; and
  - d. the source and quality of test water (laboratory analysis, if necessary).

Annual temporary permissions shall expire one (1) year after issuance. **This temporary permission will expire February 17, 2010.** *Renewal requests for annual temporary permission to discharge shall be submitted forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration date.* An annual temporary permission may be revoked or suspended for violation of any applicable provisions and/or conditions of the permit.

This approval does not relieve NMGC of responsibility should its operation result in pollution of surface water, ground water, or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve NMGC of responsibility for compliance with other federal, state or local regulations.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Jim N Snyder at (505) 476-3484 or [jim.snyder@state.nm.us](mailto:jim.snyder@state.nm.us).

Sincerely,

  
Wayne Price  
Environmental Bureau Chief

LWP/jns

cc: OCD District Office